

that is wet with the foam (of your hoises)₃
and
lasting loudly.

4, The abode of the offerer of the libation
is not
far from you, « ASwnsrs, going thither in your
car.

5. I inYoke SA.YECRI, the golden-handed/ to
pro-
tect me: he will appoint the station of the
wor-
shippers,

8. Glorify SAYITUI, who is no Mend to
water?^b ^{Var}sa
for our protection. We desire to
celebrate his
worship.

7. We invoke SAVITRI, the enlightener of
men?
the dispenser of various home-ensuring
wealth.

8. Sit down, friends. SAVITRI? verily, is
to be
praised by us; for he is the giver of riches.

9. AeOTj bring hither the loving wives of
the
gods, and TWASHTBJ, to drink the *Soma* juice.

Samtri is, ordinarily, a synonym of the Sun.
Golden-handed,
Mranyapdni, is explained, either he who gives gold
to the wor-
shipper, or by a *Vaidik* legend:—At a sacrifice
performed by the
gods, *Surya* undertook the office of *Ritioj*, but
placed himself in
the station of the *Brajimd*. The *Adhwaryu*
priests, seeing him
in that position, gave him the oblation termed
Praiitr^ which, as
soon as received by *Siiryct*, cut off the hand that
had improperly
accepted it. The priests who had given the
oblation bestowed
upon *Sitrya* a hand of gold. The legend is narrated
in the *Kau-*
sMtffHBrdfamana, it is said; but, there, *Surya* loses

both Ms hands.

^*Apam napatam* might be thought to mean son of the waters; as *napdt* is often used, in the *Veda*, in that sense: but the Sun is rather the parent, than the progeny, of the waters; as, *Aditydjdyate rrishfik*,—Hain is born from the sun. *Napdt* is here taken in its literal purport, who does not cherish (*no, pdtayati*}, but dries them up by his heat, *santdpēna sosJiakah*.